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Report of the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to Trusteeship Council resolution 36 (III) of 8 July 1948 and General Assembly resolution 754 (VIII) of 9 December 1953, the Secretary-General and the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands continued to cooperate during the period under review in disseminating information to the Trust Territory on the aims and objectives of the International Trusteeship System and of the United Nations. The present report covers the period from 1 May 1990 to 30 April 1991.

2. The Department of Public Information of the Secretariat distributed information materials both directly to the Trust Territory and through its information centres, primarily the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo. Other departments of the Secretariat cooperated in that effort, particularly the secretariat of the Trusteeship Council and the Distribution Section of the Department of Conference Services, which also mailed information materials directly to the Territory. 1/

3. Documents of the Trusteeship Council were airmailed by the Distribution Section and the Department of Public Information directly from Headquarters to 79 recipients 1/ in the Trust Territory, while taped radio and video programmes were regularly distributed to 13 recipients by the Department of Public Information. The mailing lists for United Nations publications, radio programmes and videotapes and other information materials included government offices, radio stations, newspapers, educational institutions, libraries and individuals (see the annex to the present report).

4. The United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo transmitted information materials to 92 recipients in the Territory, including government offices, libraries, radio stations, newspapers, educational institutions and individuals. The information sent to the Territory included United Nations publications, press releases, radio tapes, videotapes and films (see the annex to the present report).

5. During the period under review, the Department of Public Information produced 22 press releases in English and 22 in French dealing with the work of the Trusteeship Council during the past year. The messages of the Secretary-General and the President of the Trusteeship Council on the occasion of United Nations Day were transmitted to the Territory from the Tokyo Information Centre as press releases.

6. Photo coverage by the Department of Public Information of the proceedings of the Trusteeship Council and archival footage were made available to the news media.

7. During the period under review, the Radio Section of the Department of Public Information regularly distributed the weekly programmes "Perspective", "Scope" and "Women" and the monthly programme "UN Calling Asia" to the following radio stations in the Trust Territory: WSZB in Koror; WSZC in Truk; WSZO in Majuro; WSZD in Pohnpei; KUSI in Kosrae; and WSZA in Yap.

8. Since most public institutions in the Territory, including schools, have video-cassette playing equipment, the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo continued to make United Nations films and video catalogues available throughout the Territory. In 1990, the Department of Public Information continued to send fortnightly five VHS copies each of the UN in Action and the World Chronicle video programmes to the Trust Territory through the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo.

9. The UN Chronicle, a quarterly publication of the Department of Public Information, covered the United Nations Visiting Mission to Palau in February 1990 and the deliberations of the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-seventh session, held in 1990. All editions of the UN Chronicle are sent to the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo, which forwards them to the Territory. Other materials transmitted to the Trust Territory during the period under review included Objective: Justice and Basic Facts about the United Nations.

10. During the period under review, the Director of the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo was in constant contact with the Trust Territory in order to be kept aware of the information needs of the people in the Territory. Through cables, he continued to transmit information on the activities of the Trustees…p Council, on other matters related to decolonization and trusteeship and on the work of the United Nations in general.

11. In response to the requests of the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh sessions, the Department of Public Information has continued to assemble a file of information materials, which have been distributed in the Trust Territory. The file is available for examination in the office of the secretariat of the Council.

Notes

1/ The list of recipients has been placed in the files of the secretariat of the Trusteeship Council and is available to members of the Council for consultation.

Annex

LIST OF UNITED NATIONS INFORMATION MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED IN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

May 1990-April 1991

	No. of copies sent
AFRICA	
Namibia in the News (DPI/1083)	79
Namibia Outlook (DPI/1053)	79
Africa Recovery (vol. 3, Nos. 1-2 and 3/1989	184
vol. 4, No. 1/1990)	92
Africa Recovery (briefing paper)	92
APARTHEID	
Apartheid (report of the Secretary-General) (DPI/1089)	79
United Nations Declaration on South Africa:	10
Progress made in the implementation of the Declaration on Apartheid and its Destructive Consequences in Southern Africa - report of the Secretary-General (DPI/1089)	60
DECOLONIZATION	
Decolonization (DPI/912)	79
Decolonization Bulletin published by the Department for Special Political Questions, Regional Cooperation, Decolonization and Trusteeship	
No. 39 Thirty years of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (including, inter alia, General Assembly resolutions 1514 (XV), 1541 (XV) and other relevant resolutions on decolonization)	79
No. 38 Work of the General Assembly (1988) and the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (1988)	70
No.37/Add.1 New Caledonia	70
Reports of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples of its seminars held in Vanuatu and Barbados in 1990	
(A/AC.109/1040)	79
(A/AC.109/1043)	79

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	No. of copies sent
Objective: Justice, vol. XXI, No. 2/1989	50
vol. XXII, No. 1/1990	50
Objective: Justice (DPI/1108)	79
Secretariat News (special Namibia issue)	100
DEVELOPMENT	
Declaration on the Right to Development (DPI/918)	79
The World Economy (A global challenge)	80
Development Forum (vol. XVII, Nos. 3-6/1990 and	50
vol. XVIII, No. 1/1990)	320
Special Session of the General Assembly on International Economic Cooperation	10
United Nations Focus: United Nations Conference to debate plan for world's poorest countries	40
United Nations Focus: ESCAP	40
UNCTAD in brief	92
UNCTAD Bulletin (No. 254/89, 25th anniversary and	40
No. 2/90	20
LDC II: Information	40
UNDP in Africa	50
UNDP in Ghana	50
UNDP in Europe	50
Urban Challenge by UNDP (Attacking Guinea worm)	50
Co-operation South (No. 2/90, UNDP):	
India and Ethiopia nurture a long tradition of technology transfer	50
Venezuela's Carora cattle	50
UN Development System at 40	50
ESCAP (newsletter and feature)	10
DISARMAMENT	
Disarmament Newsletter, vol. 8, Nos. 2 and 3/1990	120
Disarmament Facts, No. 71	60
United Nations Focus: chemical weapons	50
Confidence- and security-building	10
Fourth Review Conference of Parties to the Treaty on Non-proliferation of Nuclear Weapons	10
Topical Paper No. 2: Science and technology and their implications for peace and security	10
Topical Paper No. 3: Transparency in international arms transfer	10
Topical Paper No. 4: Naval confidence-building measures	10
A periodic review by the UN	
Notes and Documents (Nos. 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11/89	480
and Nos. 1, 4, 6-13 and 15-20/90)	960

	No. of copies sent
GENERAL	
Charter of United Nations (DPI/511)	79
Basic Facts about the United Nations	92
United Nations Focus: election supervision: UN experience in Namibia and Nicaragua (DPI/1105)	40
Notes for speakers	10
News Digest (Nos. 4, 7 and 8/1990)	120
HUMAN RIGHTS	
Universal Declaration of Human Rights (DPI/15 and 876)	79 each
Human Rights Questions and Answers (DPI/919)	79
International Bill of Human Rights (DPI/925)	79
Human Rights selection of films (DPI/928)	79
Combating Racial Discrimination (DPI/858)	79
Outlawing an Ancient Evil: Torture (DPI/847)	79
Declaration on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination (DPI/714)	79
Declaration on Human Rights (DPI/894)	79
Convention on the Rights of the Child	20
Human Rights: Social and Economic Development	60
UNHCR (Brochures)	92
Human Rights and Social and Economic Development (DPI/1028)	79
PALESTINIAN RIGHTS	
The United Nations and the Question of Palestine (DPI/994)	129
Bulletin of Palestinian Rights (vol. XIII, Nos. 1-7/1990	350
and vol. XII, Nos. 9-11/1989)	210
The Origins and Evolution of the Palestine Problem, 1971-1988	10
UNDRO News (Sept.-Oct., Nov.-Dec./1989 and	20
Jan.-Feb., March-April/1990)	20
UNRWA (pamphlets)	92
PEACE-KEEPING	
Blue Helmets - a review of United Nations Peace-keeping	70
United Nations Peace-keeping	120
United Nations Focus: United Nations Role in the Demobilization of the Nicaraguan Resistance	50
United Nations Focus: Towards peace in Cambodia	40

	No. of copies sent
SOCIAL	
Principles of Medical Ethics (DPI/801)	79
Declaration of Social Progress (DPI/977)	79
Data Highlights, Nos. 9 and 10/1990 Study of women in higher education	92
Women's News (Nos. 36-38/1990)	150
Women 2000 (Nos. 2 and 3/1990)	80
Women and Literacy	60
World Development (Special Report: AIDS)	80
United Nations Focus: GA Special Session on Drugs	40
International Literacy Year	650
The UN Social Agenda	49
The United Nations and Disabled Persons	40
UNESCO (World Decade for Cultural Development 1988)	92
UN Crime Congress, Havana, 1990	10
World Food Programme (Journal Nos. 12/1989 and 13/90)	10
Declaration on Social and Legal Principles relating to the Protection and Welfare of Children (DPI/914)	79
Body of Principles for the Protection of all Persons under any Form of Detention or Imprisonment (DPI/969)	79
Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (DPI/993)	79
MESSAGES AND REPORTS	
Message by the Secretary-General on the occasion of United Nations Day	92
Statement by the Secretary-General on the occasion of Disarmament Week	92
Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Organization, 1990	92
Message by the President of the Trusteeship Council on the occasion of United Nations Day	92
VIDEO CASSETTES	
World Chronicle, Nos. 385-422	38
UN in Action, Nos. 120-161	42

The Distribution Section of the Department of Conference Services of the Secretariat at Headquarters sent 79 copies of the following documents to the Trust Territory:

Trusteeship Council, verbatim records of the fifty-seventh session (T/PV.1674-1682)

Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (T/1942)

Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-fourth Year, Special Supplement No. 1 (S/20843)

Official Records of the Security Council, Forty-fifth Year, Special Supplement No. 1 (S/22212)

Trusteeship Council documents:

T/1939; T/1940; T/1941/Rev.1 to T/1952
T/L.1275
T/RES/2192 (S-XX)

Security Council documents:

S/PV.2972
S/RES/683 (1990)